## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of:       |                     | ) |                      |
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|                             |                     | : | Examiner: B. Ready   |
| YOSHIKATSU ICHIMURA, et al. |                     | ) |                      |
|                             |                     | : | Group Art Unit: 2852 |
| Application No.: 10/540,978 |                     | ) |                      |
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| Filed: June 27, 2005        |                     | ) |                      |
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| For:                        | ELECTRIC POTENTIAL  | ) |                      |
|                             | MEASURING DEVICE    | : |                      |
|                             | USING MEASURING     | ) |                      |
|                             | DEVICE USING        | : |                      |
|                             | OSCILLATING DEVICE, | ) |                      |
|                             | IMAGE FORMING       | : |                      |
|                             | APPARATUS, AND      | ) |                      |
|                             | ELECTRIC POTENTIAL  | : |                      |
|                             | MEASURING METHOD    | ) | April 27, 2007       |

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

Prior to further examination of the above-identified application for which a Request For Continued Examination has been filed, and in response to the final Office Action dated November 30, 2006, the period for response to which having been extended to April 30, 2007 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time with fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows.